

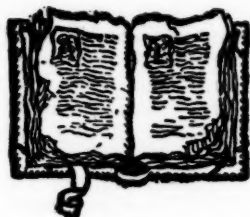
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PLAN TO ATTEND THE A. L. A. MEETING, NOVEMBER 8-9

You are urged to make plans to be in attendance at every session as a varied, stimulating program is being planned which will provide two days of pleasure and profit.

A complete copy of the program will reach you before the meeting. A brief outline of the plans is contained in this issue of Arkansas Libraries. In response to many suggestions, time is being provided for librarians to visit together, to get acquainted and to share experiences.

Miss Jacqueline Rainwater and Miss Ida Mae Hagin are working on displays for the meeting and report that a number of publishers and dealers will be on hand to exhibit new fall books.

As the Arkansas Education Association will be in session also, hotels will be crowded and reservations should be made as early as possible. Should you experience difficulty in locating a place to stay while attending the meeting, write one of the members of the housing committee: Miss Frances Barnett, Little Rock Public Library and Mrs. Marie Pinckney, Arkansas State Library Commission.

It is hoped that librarians will make a special effort to see that staff members and branch librarians come to the meeting, also. This year, for the first time, trustee members of the association will have a special sectional meeting. Librarians are urged to remind trustees that the meeting will be of particular interest to them.

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ARKANSAS LIBRARY ASSOCIATION MEETING TO BE HELD NOVEMBER 8-9

Plans have been completed for the annual meeting of the Arkansas Library Association Meeting to be held at the Little Rock Public Library on November 8 and 9. The theme of the meeting will be "Cooperation for Better Libraries." Principal speakers will be Major Louis Shores, Director of Peabody Library School on military leave, and Miss Ella V. Aldrich, Professor, L. S. U. Library School.

The first session of the meeting will convene at two o'clock with Mrs. Catharine T. Chew presiding. Governor Ben Laney will give the address of welcome. Miss Aldrich will talk to the group on *Library Public Relations*.

Major Shores will address the group at a dinner meeting at seven o'clock at the Frederica Hotel. Major Shores will talk on "One Librarian's War", reporting his experiences in three years with the armed services.

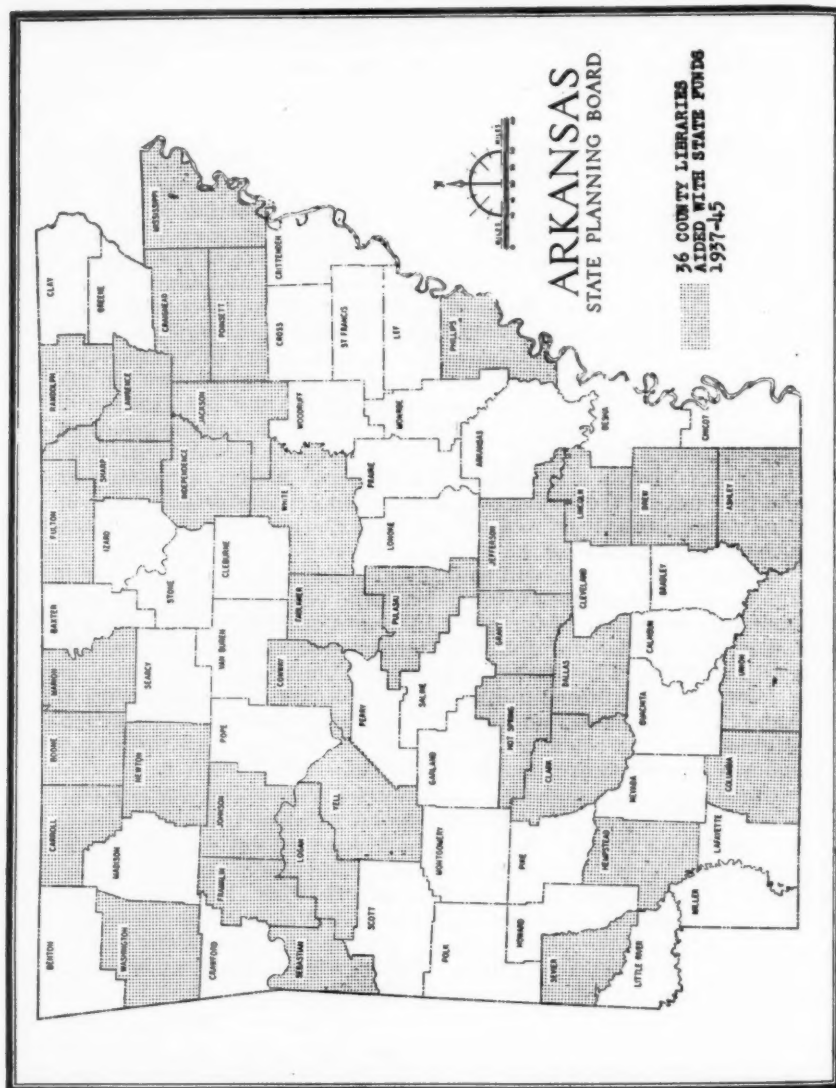
The session which will convene at nine-thirty on November 9 will be a business meeting. Miss Leta Sowder, Librarian and Executive Secretary of the State Library Commission, will explain *The Proposed Plan for Library Development in Arkansas*, which has been outlined by the State Library Commission.

Instead of a Junior Librarians' breakfast, a luncheon with a round-table discussion on publicity has been planned. The group will meet at the Frederica Hotel at twelve-fifteen. All librarians who are interested are invited to attend.

Sectional meetings will convene at two o'clock and will adjourn at three-thirty o'clock. The County and Public Library Section and the School Library Section plan to hold a joint meeting for a program to be made up of discussions of *The Use of Records in the Library* by Miss Leila Heasley, *Teaching the Use of Books and Libraries* by Miss Gladys Sachse, *Promoting Non-Fiction in the Library* by Miss Elizabeth Malone, and *Memorial Collections in the Library* by Miss Blanche Miller. The two groups will meet separately for discussions of problems and business sessions.

The trustee members of the Arkansas Library Association will meet in a sectional meeting for the first time this year. Miss Aldrich will talk on *How to Conduct a Successful Tax Campaign*.

The College and University Librarians will meet for a discussion of *Special Aids for the University Library* and a round-table discussion of the problem of reconversion in the college and university library.



36 County Libraries Aided With State Funds, 1937-45

FOURTH BIENNIAL REPORT OF THE ARKANSAS STATE LIBRARY COMMISSION

July 1, 1943—June 30, 1945

SECTION I

General Survey of Activities

The immediate objectives of the State Library Commission for the biennium, 1943-45, were to aid in establishing new county libraries as well as to assist those already established, to extend services by making loans of books to schools and to individuals without access to library services, and to supplement the services of public libraries.

The extension of library service to eight new counties during the two years resulted in the establishment of county or regional libraries for those counties. The twenty-eight counties that were already giving county-wide library service received aid from the state amounting to five cents per capita. During the biennium, thirty-six counties have extended service to their citizens through loans of collections of books to schools, branch libraries in various communities in the county, and deposits of books in private homes, as well as to individual borrowers from the headquarters unit in the county.

In the thirty-nine counties without county-wide library service, the Commission has sent loans to schools, to public libraries to supplement their collections, and to individual borrowers. In addition, the Commission has loaned books to the counties that have established libraries in order to supplement their collections. 26,470 volumes were loaned from the Commission collection during the past year.

Historical Survey of Commission Activities, 1935-45

In 1936 according to surveys made by various agencies, it was found that at least 80 per cent of the citizens of the state of Arkansas did not have access to public library service. Since it was felt that this was a decided handicap in the life of the citizens, a definite program for the establishment of library service was undertaken.

Through the backing of the American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary, the Arkansas Federation of Women's Clubs, the Arkansas Congress of Parents and Teachers, the American Association of University Women, and other related agencies, some rural service was begun by the larger public libraries as well as by some of the government agencies, the FERA, and later on the WPA.

In 1935, the Legislature of Arkansas created the Arkansas State Library Commission. By Act 339 of the 1937 Legislature the first biennial appropriation was passed, which allowed state aid of

a limited type to county libraries. During the biennium, 1937-39, eleven county libraries were organized and aided. With the appropriation of Act 234 of the Legislature of 1939, eight additional county libraries were established and financial aid continued in a lesser degree to the original eleven counties. During the biennium of 1941-43, additional appropriations of Act 230 permitted the continued aid to the nineteen county libraries and allowed the organization of eight new county libraries and one regional library, which served two counties. Act 400 of the Legislature of 1943 again permitted continued aid to the old counties, and allowed the extension of library service in eight new counties.

At the present time, Arkansas has 36 counties that are extending service within their borders by means of loans to schools, loans to individuals through branches and deposit stations, as well as from the headquarters units. Three counties have bookmobiles, and another has the use of a delivery car. Poinsett County has raised the money for a bookmobile, and Craighead and Clark Counties are working on a drive to raise money for such a purpose. Other counties in the state are looking forward to increased service in this matter as soon as trucks and cars are available. Statistical information concerning the operation of county libraries is given in Table IV, page 11. However, within these 36 counties we are not yet reaching all the population, due to lack of books, staff, and transportation facilities. In addition, there are still 39 counties in the state that do not have county-wide library service.

Present Condition of Library Service

Of the 1,949,387 people in Arkansas, as given in the 1940 census, a total of 991,833 citizens are still without access to free public library service. 136,956 urban people (in towns of 2500 or more) and 854,877 citizens in the rural areas constitute this total.

Eleven counties of the 39 do not have any public library at all within their borders; three cities of over 10,000 population do not have free library service. Instead theirs is a subscription service, with a charge of \$1.00 per year to the patron.

During the next biennium our aim is to increase the number of counties that have county libraries, to increase the financial support in each county as far as possible, and to extend service from the Commission collection to more schools, public libraries, and individuals now without access to public libraries.

Field Work

The members of the staff of the State Library Commission have made 255 visits to the county, public, and school libraries during the past two years. All counties having established county-wide library service through state aid carry on their programs under the supervision of the State Library Commission. These

counties are the definite responsibility of the Commission and every facility of the office and the staff is placed at the service of the libraries in these counties. Many meetings of trustees and county librarians with members of the staff of the Commission took place during the past two years in efforts to work out better library service.

Advisory aid was extended to many school libraries in the selection of books and in the organization of the school collections. The Assistant Librarian attended 4 workshop groups for the purpose of discussing their book buying problems.

The Commission gave advice to small public libraries desiring to increase their service and to organize their collections. Special visits were made to two counties, Perry and Stone, to help in working out their programs. Though state aid was not available for either of these counties, the citizens interested in library service were convinced that they could work out something on a small scale until state aid would be available. The Stone County Library Association reports that they have received \$300.00 to help them carry on their work until December, 1945. The Perry County Library Association intends to ask for aid for their library soon. The efforts of these two counties to help themselves without priming by the use of state funds is evidence that Arkansans are anxious for library service.

Regional Demonstration

A demonstration of library service in four counties was started in January, 1944. This service was established in an effort to show the advantages of cooperation in giving library service among small counties with low assessed valuation. In November, 1945, the four counties, Boone, Marion, Carroll and Newton, voted increased county funds for the support of the library service, deciding to remain as one regional unit, and the service was taken over by the four counties as their own project. During the next two-year period, the four counties will receive the customary 35 cents per capita for the purchase of books to help build up their collection to standard size.

County Library Institutes

Four meetings of the county librarians in the state were held. One meeting of the Arkansas Library Association was held in November, 1944.

Amendment Campaign

A campaign was carried on for an amendment to the constitution of the state which would permit counties to vote a tax for library support in case they wanted to do so. This campaign was

sponsored by the State Library Commission in response to a request from several of the county libraries. Six of the counties had levied a voluntary tax of one mill through their quorum courts for their library service, but felt that it was desirable that this be made part of the state's laws. Petitions asking that this be placed on the ballot at the general election in November, 1944, were filed with the Secretary of State. However, this amendment failed to be adopted by a vote of 6,662 of the total of 180,956 votes cast. Plans are under way to present this or a similar amendment to the voters in 1946.

SECTION II

DIRECT SERVICES FROM THE COMMISSION BOOK COLLECTION

School Service

Loans are made to schools for a period of three months, with privilege of renewal. Each loan is selected especially for the school applying for service, and the Commission sends at least one-fourth as many books as the school has pupils. Many schools asked for special books for particular projects on which the grades were working. We make a special effort to give this type of service. 28,049 volumes were sent to schools during the biennium.

Study Club Libraries

A few collections were sent during the past two years to communities that had no library at all, and the library service was administered and sponsored by a club group, such as a PTA council or a Home Demonstration club. Some PTA groups sponsored summer reading for children with volunteer librarians from the club, and a collection of books from the Commission. The Warren PTA club had such a service during the summers of 1944 and 1945.

Individual Loans

Anyone living in Arkansas who is without access to a public library may borrow books from the Commission for either recreation or study. The books may be kept for one month with renewal privileges. We serve many teachers who are enrolled in correspondence courses, as well as many patrons who are reading for pleasure only. 1,927 volumes were sent to individual borrowers during 1943-45. During the one-year period from July 1, 1944-June 30, 1945, one individual borrowed by mail 191 books from our collection in Little Rock.

Public Library Service

Many small public libraries in Arkansas have little or no funds for the purchase of books. The Commission supplements the book collections of these libraries with loans of 50-100 volumes at one time. The books may be kept for a period of three months and then may be renewed or exchanged for another fresh collection. The Commission loaned 6,602 volumes to public libraries in the state during the past year.

Supplementary Service To County Libraries

The Commission mailed 2,872 volumes to the 36 county libraries in Arkansas during 1944-45 in answer to special requests. Of this number 196 volumes were borrowed from other libraries for this purpose. Books were borrowed on inter-library loan from the Little Rock Public Library, the University of Arkansas Library, the United States Department of Agriculture Library, from other state library commissions, and county libraries. The Commission collection consists of 35,589 volumes.

TABLE I
VOLUMES LOANED

To	1943-44	1944-45	Total for Biennium
County Libraries		2,676	
Community Libraries	9,381	6,602	
Individuals		1,927	
Schools	12,894	15,155	
	22,275	26,360	48,635

Financial Aid To Counties From State

In addition to the loan services from the Commission collection, state funds have been allocated during the past two years to aid in the establishment and maintenance of county libraries. Table No. II, page 9, gives the amount of direct financial aid made available to the counties. Of the total appropriation of \$120,000.00 for the biennium, over \$92,000.00 has gone into direct allocations to the counties to help establish and operate their libraries.

TABLE II
FINANCIAL AID TO COUNTY LIBRARIES

	1943-44	1944-45	Total
Aid to new counties	\$14,469.16	\$14,474.45	\$28,943.61
Aid to demonstration (4 counties)	343.37	3,293.41	3,636.78
Aid to old counties	30,985.29	29,090.17	60,075.46
Total aid during the biennium, 1943-45			\$92,655.85

TABLE III
FINANCIAL STATISTICS FOR OPERATION OF
COMMISSION OFFICE

For fiscal year ending June 30, 1944	
(1) Salaries	\$ 7,699.90
(2) Library books, periodicals, etc.	1,960.47
(3) Office maintenance	2,502.31
(4) Travel expense	1,500.00
(5) Office equipment	139.50
Total	\$13,802.18
For fiscal year ending June 30, 1945	
(1) Salaries	\$7,664.30
(2) Library books, periodicals, etc.	2,641.97
(3) Office maintenance	2,470.22
(4) Travel expense	1,487.48
(5) Office equipment	178.00
Total	\$14,441.97

SECTION III

COUNTY AND CITY LIBRARY SERVICE

With financial aid from the state, based on the population of the county, plus an appropriation from the county, and in some cases funds from schools and organizations of Friends of the Library, county wide library service has been established in 36 counties during the eight years from 1937 until July, 1945. The support for the library service has increased slowly from year to year. The development of service within the counties has therefore been correspondingly slow. No county library is reaching all of its citizens, due to lack of books, staff, and transportation facilities. In the accompanying Table IV, annual statistics are given for the year July, 1944-June 30, 1945 for each of the county libraries. The national standards are given in blackface type at the top of Table IV. Note how far we must go to bring Arkansas libraries up to the minimum standards.

TABLE IV
STATISTICS FOR COUNTY LIBRARIES

County-City	Total Population	Population Served	Hours Open	Number of Volumes	Volume Per Capita	Circulation	Circulation Per Capita	Total Income	Income Per Capita
Ashley—Hamburg	26785	14495	48	6215	.4	52625	3.6	\$4546.67	.31
Clark—Arkadelphia	24402	17245	42	11520	.6	108173	5.9	3612.25	.21
Columbia—Magnolia	29822	16324	42	4922	.3	40832	2.5	5546.51	.32
Conway—Morrilton	21536	16247	48	22794	1.4	45512	2.8	3669.18	.22
Craighead—Jonesboro	47200	45564	56	14823	.3	93470	2.05	8210.27	.18
Dallas—Fordyce	14471	9140	30	6982	.76	47824	5.2	2633.31	.28
Drew—Monticello	19831	11607	36	7504	.64	44212	3.8	4282.96	.37
Faulkner—Conway	25880	22414	48	10063	.45	118952	5.3	3870.00	.17
Fulton—Salem	10253	10253	38	5159	.5	29410	2.8	2934.47	.29
Grant—Sheridan	10477	9559	32	3412	.35	36302	3.8	4143.62	.42
Hempstead—Hope	32770	18746	56	8896	.47	73492	4.0	5581.93	.30
Hot Spring—Malvern	18916	16727	32	8165	.49	36906	2.2	2470.76	.14
Independence—Batesville	25643	24836	48	7313	.29	88386	3.1	4143.98	.16
Jackson—Newport	26427	22350	42	8100	.36	102476	4.5	5586.44	.25
Jefferson—Pine Bluff	65101	65101	60	62216	.9	139160	2.1	14664.75	.22
Lawrence—Walnut Ridge	22651	22311	48	5101	.2	40014	1.7	3756.97	.16
Lincoln—Star City	19709	7882	32	4051	.5	23695	3.0	2197.54	.27
Logan—Booneville	25967	25343	42	5658	.2	60052	2.3	9035.25	.35
Mississippi—Osceola	80217	80217	48	21161	.2	175284	2.1	13747.78	.17
North Ark. Regional				approx.					
Boone	15860								
Carroll	14737	50942	48	10,173	.19	136576	2.5	6384.27	.12
Marion	9464								
Newton	10881								
Ozark Region—Clarksville	34478	33853	45	9626	.2	71151	2.1	4559.75	.13
Phillips—Helena	45970	15344	42	18292	1.1	54390	3.5	3177.32	.53
Poinsett—Harrisburg	37670	32973	40	10684	.3	28401	.8	6441.44	.19
Pulaski—Little Rock	46909	46909	76	11571	.2	100478	2.1	13264.62	.28
Randolph—Pocahontas	18319	18117	48	5557	.3	45490	2.5	3190.30	.17
Sebastian—Greenwood	26225	25779	33	5825	.2	69332	2.6	9377.16	.36
Sevier—DeQueen	15248	13641	40	5733	.4	42511	3.1	4492.76	.32
Sharp—Hardy	11497	11489	22	8588	.7	21122	1.8	1608.23	.14
Union—El Dorado	34603	34603	43	8583	.2	77433	2.2	5701.32	.16
Washington—Fayetteville	41114	32816	40	18521	.5	76428	2.3	5976.16	.18
White—Searcy	37176	35564	42	10277	.1	61460	1.7	4184.73	.11
Yell—Danville	20970	19916	42	3412	.1	42524	2.1	6053.51	.30

City Libraries

Table V, which gives the statistical information concerning the operation of public libraries during the past year, certainly shows the need for more funds for library service. Too many of the small public libraries have no secure financial support. Only cities of 5,000 population or better may vote a tax for the support of their libraries. In Arkansas, we have only 22 cities of that size.

The following cities have voted a special one mill tax for the support of their libraries: El Dorado, Jonesboro, Little Rock, Pine Bluff, Van Buren. Fort Smith has a half mill tax.

Many city libraries in Arkansas are supported by donations, community chest drives, or by fees from the borrowers. Twelve of the libraries on the list require fees of one dollar per year for the use of their collections. Two libraries in two of the largest cities receive part of their support from community chest drives.

The willingness of the citizens of these towns and communities to give money in order to have some form of library service is to be commended. If it were not for the generosity and interest of many of the citizens of the state, Arkansas would have no libraries at all. But libraries give a definite public service; they are as much a part of the city or county government as schools, fire departments, roads, police and utility services, and should not have to depend on donations for their support.

Statistics given in Table V show the services rendered in city libraries in the state. Of the 45 city libraries listed in the table, 42 do not coordinate their services with any county unit. The Little Rock, Pine Bluff and Jonesboro public libraries cooperate with their county libraries in extending service over a wide area.

TABLE V
CITY LIBRARY STATISTICS

City	Population	Free or Subscription	How Supported	Hours Open Per Week	Volumes	Circulation For Year	Total Income
Ashdown	2,332	F	county-city	10-15	825	525	\$ 75.00
Atkins	1,322	S	city-school	30	2,170	11,302	308.25
Bauxite		F	gifts-rentl	4½-2	1,000	600	395.95
Bearden	961	F	city	5	3,000		80.00
Benton	3,502	F	city	26	2,378	1,345	735.00
Bentonville	2,359	F	city	25	2,662	15,377	857.67
Brinkley	3,409	F		40	3,019	9,741	
Cabot	741	S	county-city	15	1,020	1,760	30.00
Camden	8,975	No report					
Corning	1,619	F	city	15	1,667	7,950	500.00-600.00
Cotton Plant	1,778	F	clubs	20-25	1,187	2,132	
El Dorado	15,858	F	1-mill tax	48	10,000	35,712	6,233.39
England	2,027	S	county	11	800	1,150	250.00
Fayetteville	8,212	F	com. chest-city	38	10,000	20,705	3,036.36
Foreman	1,000	F	county-city	8	1,771	3,732	182.00
Forrest City	5,699	F	contributions	30	8,300	24,000	1,350.00

TABLE V
CITY LIBRARY STATISTICS—Continued

City	Population	Free or Subscription	How Supported	Hours Open Per Week	Volumes	Circulation For Year	Total Income
Fort Smith	36,584	F	½-mill tax	58	36,000	79,853	10,088.96
Hot Springs	21,370	S	fee-rentals	20-25	11,000	32,182	800.00-1,000.00
*Jonesboro	11,729	F	1 mill tax	56	9,631	39,863	6,214.00
Lake Village	2,045	S	fee	10	3,500	1,240	245.00
Lewisville	1,314	F	county-city	16	954	250	165.00
*Little Rock	88,039	F	1 mill tax	76	84,767	209,834	47,429.66
Lonoke	1,715	F	county-city	12	5,060	3,547	588.50
McGehee	3,663	S	city-rentals	4	1,640	660	
Marianna	4,449	F	city approp.	25	2,789	8,271	686.41
Mena	3,510	S	fee	30	7,000	4,800	355.04
Mt. View	745	S	county-25c fee	14	1,250		69.28
Nashville	2,782	F	county-gifts	10	2,050	2,476	370.00
Norman	No report						
Paragould	7,079	F	county-city	18	3,500	15,000	1,050.00
Pea Ridge	372	F	city millage	30	2,070	5,000	562.77
Piggott	2,034	F	city gifts	30	3,325		1,200.00
*Pine Bluff and Jefferson Co.	65,101	F	city-county	60	58,982	139,160	14,664.75
Prescott	3,177	S	fee-city approp.	27	3,290		541.25
Rector	1,776	F	gifts	12	2,069	4,573	605.31
Rogers	3,550	F	city millage	15	6,945	12,253	585.90
Russellville	5,927	S	fee	12	5,385	7,783	710.90
Siloam Springs	2,764	F	county-city	20			
Stamps	2,405	S	fee	10	2,600	2,500	175.00
Stephens	998	S	fee	9	875	3,000	100.00
Stuttgart	5,628	F	city-rental shelf	24	6,500	15,284	728.87
Texarkana	28,840	S	fee & com. chest	57	13,940	52,917	7,391.41
Van Buren	5,422	F	1 mill tax	30	6,689	3,428	1,242.71
Warren	2,516	S	fee	5	3,200	6,550	263.00
West Memphis	3,369	F	city	10½	2,500	700	420.00

* Cities coordinating their library services with county units.

SECTION IV

Recommendations:

1. That some form of permissive legislation be passed that will allow tax support for county libraries. At present only cities larger than 5,000 population can vote a tax for the support of their libraries.

2. That regional cooperation be encouraged. Even with a permissive law allowing tax support for county libraries, many counties are too small and have such a low assessed valuation that they are financially unable to support adequate library service.

3. That definite consideration be given to THE PROGRAM FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF LIBRARY SERVICE IN ARKANSAS which has been outlined by State Library Commission, and which will appear later.

BOOKS I WOULD GIVE FOR CHRISTMAS

For the pre-school child..... Mary Hightower

Becker, Charlotte *The Unlike Twins* Scribner's .75
 Credle, Ellis *Janey's Shoes* Grosset 1.00
 Field, Rachel *Prayer for a Child* Macmillan 1.50
 Hader, Berta & Elmer *The Mighty Hunter* Macmillan 2.00
 Hoke, Helen *Fuzzy Kitten* Follett 1.00
 Osgood, Harriet *Pam Pam* Oxford Press 1.00
 Sterling, Helen *Little Choo Choo* Franklin Watts 1.00
 Vorse, Mary Ellen *Grubby Gets Clean* Wm. Scott 1.40
 Zimmerman, Naomi *The Party Dress* Ziff-Davis 1.25
 Zimmerman, Naomi *The Sleepy Forest* Ziff-Davis 1.25

For Juveniles, ages 6-9 years..... Frances Neal

Anderson *Billy and Blaze* Macmillan 1.25
 Brooke *The Golden Goose* Warne .75
 Gag *Gone is Gone* Coward 1.00
 Harrington *Ring a Round* Macmillan 3.00
 Haywood *B is for Betsy* Harcourt 2.00
 Kipling *Just So Stories* Garden City 1.00
 McCloskey *Make Way for the Ducklings* Viking 2.00
 Petersham *Christ Child* Doubleday 2.00
 Walpole *Golden Dictionary* Simon 1.50

For Children, ages 10 to 14 years..... Ida Mae Hagin

Brindze, Ruth *Gulf Stream* Vanguard 2.35
 Faulkner, Georgene *Melindy's Medal* Messner 2.00
 Fitch, Florence *One God; the Ways We Worship Him* Lothrop 2.00
 Gaggin, E. R. *All Those Buckles* Viking 2.00
 Gray, Elizabeth *Sandy* Viking 2.00
 Lawson, Robert *Rabbit Hill* Viking 2.00
 Lippincott, J. W. *Wilderness Champion* Lippincott 2.00
 Lowrey, J. S. *In the Morning of the World* Harper 2.00
 McCloskey, Robert *Homer Price* Viking 2.00
 Torrey, Marjorie *Artie and the Princess* Howell 2.00

For Young People..... Jacqueline Rainwater

Allee, Marjorie *The House* Houghton 2.00
 Baker, Rachel *The First Woman Doctor* Messner 2.50
 Poston, Martha Lee *The Girl Without a Country* Nelson 2.00
 Smith, Elva and Hazeltine, Alice Isabel *The Christmas Book of Legends and Stories*; illus. by Roger Duvoisin Lothrop 2.50
 Baker, Elizabeth *Whitemore Stocky, boy of West Texas* Winston 2.00
 Baker, Nina Brown *Garibaldi* Vanguard 2.50
 Busoni, Raffaello *Stanley's Africa* Viking 3.50
 Edmonds, Walter *Wilderness Clearing* Dodd 2.50
 Gollomb, Joseph *Up at City High* Harcourt 2.00
 Stanley, Hong Chin and Fowler, Virginie *Two lands for Ming* Scribner 2.00

For Adults

Mrs. Earle Spencer

- Browning, Elizabeth B. *Sonnets from the Portugese* Crowell 3.00
 Chase, Mary Ellen *The Bible and the Common Reader* Macmillan 2.50
 Hudson, W. H. *Green Mansions* Random 3.95
 Papashvily, George *Anything Can Happen* Harper 2.00
 Percy, Wm. Alexander *Lanterns on the Levee* Knopf 3.00
 Quiller-Couch, Sir Arthur *Oxford Book of Eng. Verse* Oxford 3.00
 Saxon, Lyle *Fabulous New Orleans* Appleton 5.00
 Siegmeister, Elie *Music Lover's Handbook* Morrow 4.00
 Simon, Charlie May *Straw in the Sun* Dutton 2.75
 Stone, Irving *Immortal Wife* Doubleday 3.00

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP IN THE ARKANSAS LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

The new constitution of the Association provides that outstanding service by library trustees may be recognized with honorary memberships. The executive board will welcome suggestions from members of the association regarding trustees who have rendered noteworthy library service.

ARKANSAS LIBRARIAN ON NATIONAL BOARD

Leila Heasley, Field Worker for the Arkansas State Library Commission, has been notified that she has been elected to the Board of Directors of the County and Regional Library Section of the American Library Association for the coming year.

I Wish They Wouldn't:

"Hide books behind the ones on the shelves in order to be sure of getting them on their next trip to the library."

Hazel Deal

"Push the books far back on the shelves. We have a little 'Wrecking Crew' which works the shelves over about once a week."

Nancy Rutherford

"Lay a book on the desk and say, 'Well, I guess I paid for this one'; when the fine is only a few cents and the book cost around three dollars."

Lucy Sanders

"Say, 'Mamma wants you to send her two more books like those green colored ones you gave her last time.'"

Fannie P. Smith

DO YOU KNOW THAT . . .

Sebastian County. Miss Mary Hightower has resigned as county librarian to accept a position as children's librarian at Hamilton, Ohio. Mrs. Hattie Faye Luzak, Miss Hightower's assistant is acting librarian in Sebastian County.

College of the Ozarks. Miss Louise Jamison is the new librarian of College of the Ozarks. Miss Jamison completed her library training at Emory University.

Veteran's Facility, Fayetteville. Miss Georgia Rose Trammel is the newly appointed librarian at the Veteran's Facility Hospital in Fayetteville. Miss Trammel comes to Arkansas from Houston, Texas, where she was high school librarian.

White County. Miss Hazel Wilson, county librarian, became the bride of Howard Prichard of Searcy, Sept. 6. Mrs. Prichard plans to continue her work as White County Librarian.

Ouachita College. Mrs. Maurine Dumas Smith became College Librarian succeeding Miss Cloma Barron. Mrs. Smith was formerly on the staff of the Free Library Service Bureau and served as librarian of Union County.

Union County. Miss Lucile Slater, El Dorado, has accepted the position as librarian of the Union County Li-

brary, and began her duties on Sept. 10, 1945. She succeeds Miss Leila Heasley as county librarian.

Bearden Public Library. Mrs. Laura Thompson, secretary of the library board, reports a gift of forty-four recent best-sellers by Mrs. J. R. Brindley who has been making her home in Bearden while her husband was overseas.

Jackson County. Mrs. Jim Denton of Tuckerman is a new member of the Jackson County Library Board, succeeding Mrs. T. Nathan Graham who resigned recently.

White County. The Robin Hood Reading club, which Mrs. Hazel Wilson Prichard, librarian, conducted, came to a gratifying close when forty-two children completed more than ten books. The club had seventy-two members who read 1,330 books.

NEW MEMBERS OF THE STATE LIBRARY COMMISSION

Mrs. I. C. Oxner of McGehee, Mrs. C. E. Moseley of Camden, and J. E. Howard of Clarendon are newly appointed members of the Arkansas State Library Commission succeeding Mrs. Nels O. Langseth of Hot Springs, Charles Reynerson of Hope and A. W. Rainwater of Walnut Ridge. Miss Pearl Williamson of DeQueen was elected Chairman of the Commission at its meeting September 15 to fill the position held by A. W. Rainwater.

ARKANSAS LIBRARIANS FAVOR SOCIAL SECURITY

Early in September all librarians in the Arkansas Library Association were queried regarding their sentiments on a legislative proposal which would include librarians in the social security program. Forty-seven replies were received from the questionnaires. Of these forty-four favored the inclusion of librarians in the social security program and three were against the proposal.